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2009-10 Meeting Schedule

All meetings start promptly at 11:30 a.m.
American Red Cross
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Buffalo, NY 14209

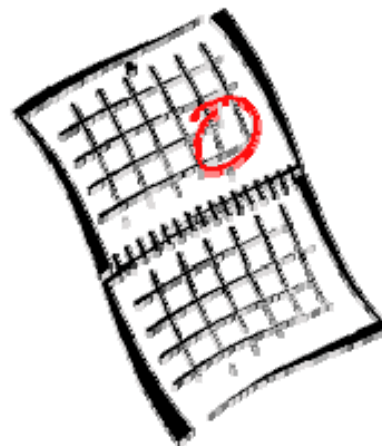
September 16
Discover Your Strengths

November 18
Cultural Awareness

January 20
Professional Writing

March 17
Corporate Panel Discussion

May 19
Annual Retreat
(Meeting location TBA)
Family Systems Theory



Volunteer Administrators
of Western New York

VAWNY

We are dedicated to increasing the awareness and cooperation among individuals in the Western New York area who have an interest in the development, implementation, coordination, and participation of volunteer programs by providing meaningful and fun opportunities for the development of professional skills and expertise through lunch meetings, networking sessions, website access and social vignettes.

WHAT IS VAWNY?

VAWNY is a collaboration for non-profit agencies and organizations that utilize volunteers to carry out their vision and mission. VAWNY provides support, guidance, training, and resources to individuals working in the field of volunteer management. Members include volunteer administrators, program coordinators, executive directors, fund development, resource managers and other professionals.

BENEFITS OF MEMBERSHIP

* Five professional development programs each year that focus on current trends and topics. Lunch meetings provide an opportunity to network with colleagues

* Membership Directory and email system that provides complete contact information for all VAWNY members, the opportunity to ask questions, share information and to post and seek employment opportunities

* An established mentoring network that provides practical assistance and suggestions from experienced volunteer administrators

* Opportunity to participate in a highly successful member exclusive VAWNY sponsored volunteer recruitment fairs

* Annual Vendor Fair. This is a great opportunity to meet local promotional item vendors to see what's new, receive samples and get quotes.

* Vignettes. These social gatherings are designed to network, have fun and unwind.

Gretchen E. Stringer, CVA Award for Excellence in the Profession of Volunteer Administration

Gretchen E. Stringer founded VAWNY in 1980 and has made huge strides to make a difference for volunteer coordinators in the community.

VAWNY encourages professional growth and development of its membership. Therefore, VAWNY wishes to annually recognize a member for outstanding service in the field of volunteer administration. Named for Gretchen E. Stringer, C.V.A., this award reflects Ms. Stringer's lifelong commitment to professionalism in the field of volunteer management.

CRITERIA

- Nominee should have positively impacted the field of Volunteer Administration
- Demonstrate "hands-on" service
- Demonstrate a leadership role in the field
- Exhibited exceptional service in the field

Nominations are reviewed by a select panel. The honoree is announced at VAWNY's Annual Retreat and Recognition Meeting in May.

Contact the VAWNY president, Shawn O'Hargan for more information at: 878-2397 or ohargans@usa.recross.org

JOIN VAWNY TODAY

To become a member, or to request additional information about VAWNY, just complete this form and return to:

V.A.W.N.Y.

C/O Joan A Male Family Support Center

Attn: Holly Hahn-Baker

60 Dingens Street

Buffalo, NY 14206

716-822-0919

jamvolunteer@aol.com

Name: _____

Organization: _____

Title: _____

Address: _____

City & Zip Code: _____

Day Phone: _____

Email address: _____

___ Yes, I would like to join VAWNY, Please send me an application.

___ I am interested in further information about VAWNY. Please send me information about the next meeting.